

Friday night, May 8, the College Council passed overwhelmingly a resolution jointly drawn up by the Student - Faculty Ad-Hoc Committee, composed of Robert Pack, Skip Green, Barton Parks, Robert Metzger, William Kerrigan, Andy Weinstein, Victor Kuovo, and Clara Johnson, and several members of the College Council. Each of the four sections of the proposal was voted on by the Council, and each

1 In a situation of crisis, the College Council of Middlebury College continues to affirm the importance of academic activities, and we at the same time encourage those students engaged in non-violent political and social action. We resolve to complete the academic year. We believe that arrangements should be made for those students who, as a matter of conscience, cannot complete their academic work within the existing schedule. The political and the academic are not incompatible. (passed, 8-1)

2 The Middlebury College Council strongly endorses the current nationwide movement by affirming these national and local goals:

a. an end to the American military involvement in Southeast Asia (passed unanimously, 10-0)

b. a reaffirmation of the Bill of Rights, an end to the repression of political dissent, and an end to the persecution of Black Panthers and other activists (passed unanimously, 10-0)

c. a reexamination of universities' and colleges' relationship to the military (passed, 9-1)

3 While affirming these general goals, the College Council endorses, according to individual conscience, the continuation of these and related activities:

a. improving our relationship with the town, hoping to create a community which unites all Middlebury

b. local canvassing for political candidates

c. the extension of our educational function to inform the community on local and national issues

d. the Pause for Peace, initiated by Williams College, for which Middlebury has been named the Vermont headquarters

e. the Continuing Presence Lobby in Washington, initiated by Dartmouth College

f. Information on the Draft (Operation "UNDO"), for which Middlebury has been designated the Vermont clearing-house

g. the coordination of these and similar activities with other colleges and universities in Vermont and New England

(passed, 9-0-1)

4 The College Council recommends that the faculty reschedule the calendar for 1970-71 to create a full week vacation in October in place of Thanksgiving vacation. This recess would allow students to participate in political activities before the November election. (passed unanimously, 10-0)

Saturday, May 9, at 11:00 a.m., the College Council is holding a series of caucuses to elicit student response to the above resolution. After these caucuses, the College Council will reconvene at noon to consider any possible amendments to the resolution. At 4:15, the faculty will meet to consider the resolution and Faculty Council recommendation concerning grading alternatives.

Please arrive early with a friend - We are running short of paper

WORKSHOPS FOR SATURDAY - MAY 9 - 2:00-4:00p.m.

DISCUSSIONS: ARENTS, ALUMNI, students, faculty, and administration are encouraged to attend and to distribute themselves evenly. These discussions will revolve around the activities at Middlebury and its endorsement of the national movement, as well as the political implications of the national crisis and any other issues that come up in the course of discussion. If possible, large groups are urged to break up into smaller groups to engage in dialogue.

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1. Pratt Lounge
William Coston and Claire Johnson, moderators
2. Newcomb Lounge
Dennis O'Brien and Skip Green, moderators
3. Conroe Lounge, Fourth Floor
Vincent Malstrom and ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~, moderators
Francis Westley
4. Willard Lounge
Robert Pack and Chris Berg, moderators
5. Gifford Lounge
Richard Torrey and Bob Metzger, moderators
6. Pearsons Lounge
Bruce Grindle and Carla Baker, moderators
7. Forest East Lounge
William Kerrigan, Nicholas Clifford, and Michael Walebit, moderators
8. Forest West Lounge
Vincent Russo and Bill Halapka, moderators

NEW PHASE * ONE OF ACTION

May 9, 1970

EXTENSION OF THE MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE STRIKE IS NOT GOING TO BE AN EXTENSION OF CONFUSION. THE TIME FOR TO BE AN EXTENSION OF CONFUSION. THE TIME FOR ORGANIZATIONAL HASSLES, IDEOLOGICAL STRUGGLES, AND GENERAL CONFUSION IS OVER. THE STRIKE HAS ENTERED A NEW PHASE, ONE OF ACTION.

AFTER TODAY'S FACULTY MEETING, THE OFFICIAL POSITION OF THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY TOWARDS THIS MOVEMENT WILL ~~BE~~^{BE} DECIDED. BUT WHATEVER CHANGES THE FACULTY SHOULD MAKE IN THE COLLEGE COUNCIL RESOLUTION, TWO THINGS ARE CERTAIN. ONE, THE STRIKE WILL GO ON WITH ALL ACTIVITIES. TWO, STUDENTS WHO DESIRE TO CARRY ON IN THE STRIKE WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO WITHOUT ANY PENALTIES.

IN THIS PAMPHLET THE MANY ACTIVITIES FROM LOCAL TO NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE ARE DESCRIBED IN DETAIL. ORGANIZATIONAL PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN SOLVED. ACTIVITIES ARE FULLY ORGANIZED, BUT THEY NEED YOUR HELP TO SUCCEED.

WE ASK YOU TO TAKE THE TIME TO CONSIDER CAREFULLY CONSIDER THE ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED IN THIS PAMPHLET IN LIGHT OF YOUR OWN PERSONAL FEELINGS. THIS IS THE TIME TO MAKE A DECISION ABOUT YOUR PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT AND TO CHOOSE WHATEVER ACTIVITY YOU WISE TO INVOLVE YOURSELF IN. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TO CONTACT ONE OF MANY PEOPLE ALREADY INVOLVED IN THE EFFORTS LISTED IN THIS PAMPHLET.

WHETHER YOU DECIDE TO COMMIT YOURSELF FULL-TIME TO THE MOVEMENT IN THE COMING WEEKS OR ONLY PART-TIME, THE IMPORTANT THING IS TO GET INVOLVED NOW, ON ANY LEVEL YOU CHOOSE. EVEN IF YOU DECIDE TO RESUME ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES, YOU CAN STILL GET INVOLVED. * * * THE STUDENT AD-HOC COMMITTEE

GROUP I * SELF-EDUCATION

Coordinators: Obie Benz, Rena Gearhart

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The purpose of this group is to organize activities on the Middlebury campus for the purpose of educating the community about local and national issues.

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I. SECURITY PATROL

At the College Council meeting of May 7, Dean Bruce Peterson announced the formation of a committee, created to consider the problems of building security as a result of the fire in Recitation Hall. The committee, made up of students Obie Benz, Marshall Forstein, Jim Gilmond, Rena Seybolt, Officer Fred Springer, and Dean Bruce Peterson, has established a patrol system with its immediate aim being the maximum security of all college buildings for the duration of the five day suspension.

The committee has divided its activity into three groups. Group I, headed by Marshall Forstein, has as its responsibility the security of all non-residence buildings. These buildings each have a team of three to four students and one faculty member who work a five hour shift. There are two shifts each night: 9 P.M. - 2 A.M. and 2 A.M. - 7 A.M. Each team patrols the building and checks the grounds immediately surrounding it. Also within Group I there are five portable units which constantly patrol the campus, either on foot or by car.

Group II, headed by Rena Seybolt, is in charge of maintaining the safety of all dorms. Each dorm has set up its own group of patrols and reports directly to Rena. The length of shifts is at the discretion of the dorm co-ordinator, with usual duration being 3-4 hours.

Group III, headed by Jim Gilmond, is the base station, located in the Service Building. This team maintains all communication between portable units, residences, and non-residences and transmits any information pertinent to a situation to the nearest patrol so that whatever check necessary may be accomplished quickly and effectively.

As the night of May 7 proved, the action of this committee has the support of faculty, administration, and students. One hundred and twenty people, including members of all three previously stated branches of the college, were involved the first night and no incidences occurred. We asked that campus driving be terminated by nine in the evening so that our patrols would be effective and our request was well respected.

We wish only to emphasize again that our actions are done to maintain the greatest degree of security for college buildings without in any way turning it into a campus armed and tense. We do not ask the school to

II. EDUCATION ON CAMPUS (Rena Gerahart)

The immediate goals of this committee are to keep members of this college community informed about the activities of Middlebury and of the National Movement, and Middlebury's role in the movement, as well as about the political implications of the national crisis and the history of America's involvement in Viet Nam and Cambodia. The committee has organized workshops on these issues to provide students and faculty with the opportunity to discuss them. Printed material on the situation in Viet Nam as well as reprints of various speeches made here on campus and a lengthy reading list will be distributed at these workshops and throughout the dormitories and fraternity houses. The long-range plans of the committee are to continue distributing such printed material and to organize these workshops as a vehicle for members of the college community to keep informed - both through the end of this school year and next year.

The committee urges people to organize workshops themselves and to contribute any reading material they consider worthwhile to educate others about these issues.

The committee will need upwards of forty people to organize this effort.

Please contact Rena Gerahart.

III. ALUMNI-ORIENTED ACTIVITIES

The committee is a small organization and needs only a few full time people. What it does need is the entire campus to write personal letters to alumni, parents, and influential people within the established framework. These letters are in conjunction with the Peace for Peace and bills and proposals in Congress, and further campus developments.

The students of Middlebury can serve the interests of the national peace and the strike with their correspondence. If the students do return to their classes they can continue to correspond and reach a great many people outside the Middlebury and Vermont area.

The committee has already compiled and sent a letter to parents and a letter to all Vermont alumni urging them to be on campus this weekend. Both town letters were accompanied by signed supplicants, and replies have been encouraged. If the parents and alumni are exposed to the issues and maintain their objectivity they can not help but understand our urgency and involvement.

The committee will continue to draft letters and provide addresses. However, these activities have already cost \$110.00 not including paper. The use of your stamps and envelopes is necessary. Letters and information will originate from the director and all letters should be returned for mailing.

Robbie Hitten, the Campus offices 388-2613

IV. INFORMATION COMMITTEE

This sub-group of the Education Committee, serves mainly to inform the college community of the various events, and diverse group activities and the latest developments on the local, state and national levels. Contact is maintained with all student and faculty groups, as well as other colleges. Constant communication with WRMO allows information to reach a larger area.

The importance of this group should be stressed. This is the only center which coordinates and informs the college community on a large scale. To keep this center working efficiently, a large work force will be required and definite work shifts must be scheduled. Volunteer should sign up at the Information Center or contact

Carole Brown, Box 1098, phone 9471

GROUP II * COMMUNITY

Coordinators. Michael Vallebit,
Lucile Minor

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I. ECOLOGY

There will be a work group under the sponsorship of Mr. Rodin of the college, and Dave Clifford, town manager. This involves digging and a clean, hopefully along with members of various clubs in the town.

This group will meet at Beane Memorial to do at 1:00 P.M. on Sunday. For further information, call Mr. Rodin at 749. Further groups and activity will be scheduled.

II. CONCERNED WITH PARENTS

We are planning on inviting the parents of the entire college community to join in on discussions, dialogues, seminars, and lectures involving the activities of the national strike and related issues during the weekend of May 29 and 30 before commencement. We are interested in discussing the views of the other members of the adult community. Organization is going to be needed although much of it will not begin for another week. For all those interested, there will be an organizational meeting in the near future.

Joan Sawyer, Box 1230

III. INFORMATION TO ST. ALBANS

The committee to inform St. Albans is now organizing people to speak at service clubs and has scheduled a one-hour talk show with WOPR this Tuesday at 6:00 P.M. We plan to meet with church groups and women's clubs. Six people are involved. No more people needed at the moment.

Joe Bergin, 383-9310

IV. COLLEGE STUDENTS

The Vermont Political Campaigning Committee has been working closely with the Hoff for Senator people in Middlebury. This group is headed by Mr. Wallace Anderson and Mr. Stan Lazarus. At present, about seventy-five volunteers are engaged in a voter registration drive throughout Nelson County.

In addition, we have attempted to reach Viet. volunteers, people from the Poor Peoples' Conference in Vermont, and U.O. people in an effort to stimulate a campaign among the state's poor so that they may vote in the coming primaries and in the general election.

As soon as the names of those people who are not yet registered are received by the Hoff people, a massive door-to-door campaign will be held to get all those people to vote. The Hoff plan is to start slowly and build momentum as we go along.

Of the seventy-five people, upwards of twenty have expressed a desire to work for part of the summer, at least. We hope to raise the figure.

The people for Hoff are holding a meeting at 9:45 tomorrow morning at St. Mary's Church followed by a workshop in voter registration led by Mrs. Anderson from 10 to 12.

We feel that this effort must continue through the summer as it is an excellent method of accomplishing political reform without violence. To this end we have circulated a petition calling for the opening of Reinter and Starr Halls for the summer. We make it clear that all people from the college working in the area on important matters are not to be excluded from Starr and Reinter. We feel that this is the ONLY way that a substantial number of students can continue doing all kinds of constructive work in the community.

Fred Klein, 9308 or Campus Office

V. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The main object of the College's High School Committee is to assist members of UHO in their activities. We are assuming an advisory and informative function. It is essential that the activities of the High School group are carried on by the High School students themselves. Our main activities have been to supply them with information, to give them access to college facilities and resources, and encourage participation in the various activities at the college. Their programs include a canvassing campaign, a symposium on the history of the Vietnam war, and participation in the UHO group.

At present this committee needs no further volunteers.
Larry Thomas

GROUP III * NATIONAL CAMPAIGNS

Coordinators: Brat Marcus, Porter Davis

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UNDO * Union of National Draft Opposition

Pause for Peace * National work stoppage for one hour

Continual Presence in Washington * Citizens' lobbying
program

Vermont State Caucus * State activity coordination

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THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ABOVE CAMPAIGNS IN GROUP 3 LINK MIDDLEBURY SPECIFICALLY WITH MOVEMENTS BEING CARRIED ON NATIONALLY. THESE CAMPAIGNS MADE STATE AND NATIONAL CONTACTS EARLY IN THE STRIKE. THEY ARE NOW FULLY UNDERWAY. THESE ORGANIZATIONS AT MIDDLEBURY HAVE BEEN DELEGATED CRUCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, I.E. UNDO IS COORDINATOR FOR UNDO IN NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND (35+ COLLEGES), PAUSE FOR PEACE IS COORDINATOR FOR PAUSE FOR PEACE IN THE ENTIRE STATE OF VERMONT (13+ COLLEGES). DEDICATED HELP IS ESSENTIAL TO THE FULFILLMENT OF THIS NATIONAL COMMITMENT. MORE SPECIFIC OUTLINES OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS AT MIDDLEBURY FOLLOW.

1. CONTINUING PRESENCE IN WASHINGTON

The Continuing Presence in Washington is a nation lobbying program initiated by Dartmouth college. The goal of this program is to provide a continual presence of citizens in Washington, speaking to their senators and representatives about immediate change in the Administration's present military involvement in Southeast Asia. Dartmouth has established a lobbying headquarters in Washington, where citizens may obtain training in lobbying methods, legislative information, and free housing and food. Through this office in Washington, we can arrange appointments for anyone interested in lobbying their senators and/or representatives. On Monday, Middlebury will be sending two students, and hopefully one faculty member to Dartmouth to partake in a training program for teaching other people the basics of lobbying. We hope to set up some sort of lobby training center at the college within the next week, and would eventually like to bring this program to the rest of the local community. A strong emphasis of the Continuing Presence program is to involve parents, alumni, and other influential voting citizens in lobbying their senators and representatives.

Within the next few days, a questionnaire will be circulating around the campus. We would like to involve as many people as possible in lobbying, in providing housing in Washington and transportation to Washington, and in writing letters urging influential citizens to voice personally their opinions in Washington. We also need help in collecting money to con-

tinue this program until all of our troops are removed from Southeast Asia. If there are any questions about the questionnaire, or any other aspect of the Continuing Presence program, you may contact the information desk, or our headquarters in the ROG office.

II. NATIONAL PAUSE FOR PEACE COALITION

The intent of our organization is to call on all Americans to unite to achieve an end to the war expansion and to end the division here at home.

This stoppage is directed in conjunction with labor, business and local communities. It is not, not a strike against the universities and colleges of this nation. We must gather as much support as possible locally and nationwide for a one-hour work stoppage in May. The target date for the work stoppage is tentatively set for May 27.

The organization at Middlebury is structured as follows:

The Alumni Committee - this group will systematically organize the alumni lists according to occupation. It will then establish priorities according to potential influence and contact them by letter and telephone.

Contact Coordination and Priorities Committee - this group will canvas the campus for determining the number of contacts with influential people students themselves will be able to make.

There will be an analysis of the responses from those people contacted by these committees.

Finance Committee - The need for this group is obvious.

Local Communities Committee - When conditions permit, this group will organize systematic personal contacts with local merchants, professionals, and civic and political groups throughout the area. In the meantime, this group will draw up pertinent information and suggestions for later dissemination to these people.

The Middlebury Pause for Peace Office has been designated the Coordination Center for all Pause for Peace activities in the state of Vermont. We have established contact with ten of the thirteen colleges in the state. We have scheduled a meeting here for the representatives of the Pause for Peace committee from these colleges on Monday. The coordinator of all activities of the Middlebury Pause for Peace Office is Porter Davis; the office phone is 388-2952.

III. UNION FOR NATIONAL DRAFT OPPOSITION

The Union for National Draft Opposition is a new organization, formed to provide a national clearing house for information about individual draft resistance. It is organized on a chapter basis with chapters in each college-community and connected by computer with the National Chapter in Princeton. Information on the sheet being circulated will be stored in the computer and used to coordinate different resistance efforts across the country (i.e. anyone in the country,

contemplating an individual effort in relation to the draft can find out who else in his community, his region, or in the country is contemplating the same type of action, and get together with them to coordinate a more effective protest.

The Middlebury Chapter of UPDO has become the coordination center for the 35 colleges in Vermont, Maine and New Hampshire.

The legality of this organization and its activities has been established by the American Civil Liberties Union.

We urge that each draft-eligible male fill out the information sheet, which will not obligate him in any way, so that we may better coordinate resistance on a local, regional and national level.

We need men and women to train as draft counselors, so that we can operate on a daily basis in a center located in the town of Middlebury. In this way we hope to make all possible legal alternatives within the selective service system available to all draft-eligible males in the area, whether college, high school or non-students. We will encourage high school students to become aware of the draft and related issues before they register and will train them to set up their own counseling services. We will also offer our services to those who would have previously received occupational or dependency deferments, which have been eliminated. We also need to train draft counselors to begin setting up similar operations in their home communities, with the help of the Information Center at Princeton.

We need people to contact lawyers, doctors and psychiatrists, who will make themselves available to us for legal and medical advice.

We need people to make available to all draft-eligible males information forms (put out by UPDO) to be filed both at the local and national centers.

We need people to raise funds for this organization. (Funds to be used for phone bills, mail money, etc.). This effort is crucial to the continued existence of this organization.

We need people to work on Intercollege Communications. (Trained, and willing-to-be-trained computer operators, people to travel to other regional centers to pick up and disseminate information regarding all our activities, etc.)

To date, draft resistance has only been done by individuals or small groups. But in this time of national crisis the effect of each individual's sacrifice must be maximized through a united effort. There can be no war when there is no one to fight. As a political unit in a coordinated, national anti-draft movement, we seek to employ every means possible to end the draft and end the war.

DRAFT COUNSELING SERVICE

A meeting has been set up with a professional draft counselor in Burlington for all those college and high school students interested in becoming competent draft

sharing of resources, and in general the greater strength which comes when communities unite.

The presence of Middlebury at the first State Caucus which was attended by the above state colleges as well as colleges in N. Hampshire, New York, and Mass., was instrumental in the agreement that the Vermont colleges to pursue a physically and psychologically non-violent course of action within the state. Furthermore the transnational and international value of a coming together of members of so many New England academic communities in a time of crisis cannot be overstated.

THE STATE CAUCUS

1. The State Caucus has drafted a national press statement basically reaffirming the three points of the National Strike.

2. The State Caucus organized the student rally in Montpelier, and when it was called off by Lt. Gov. Hayes directed all their power into preventing any more student protests or rallies, and instead organized the Vermont State Teach-In at U.V.M. May 9th.

3. The State Caucus organized the two Dartmouth 61-62 and 62-63 perspective committees.

4. It established U.V.M. as center of communications for the state.

This organization for decision making at the state level continues to be absolutely necessary to the consolidation of the state of strike efforts.